s17 Geometric Series Exam (Practice v37)

Question 1

Consider the partial geometric series represented below with first term a=493, common ratio $r=\left(\frac{10}{29}\right)^{1/10}$, and n=10 terms.

$$S = 493 + 443.21 + 398.44 + 358.2 + 322.02 + 289.5 + 260.26 + 233.97 + 210.34 + 189.1$$

We can multiply both sides by r.

$$rS \ = \ 443.21 + 398.44 + 358.2 + 322.02 + 289.5 + 260.26 + 233.97 + 210.34 + 189.1 + 170$$

What is the value of S - rS?

Question 2

Consider the geometric series shown below, using ellipsis notation to indicate a continuation of the pattern without writing every term.

$$S = 2 + 2(4) + 2(4)^{2} + 2(4)^{3} + \cdots + 2(4)^{67} + 2(4)^{68} + 2(4)^{69} + 2(4)^{70}$$

Identify the initial term, the common ratio, and the number of terms.

Question 3

Write a proof for the partial geometric series formula.

- a. Define the variables.
- b. Write the sum using variables and ellipsis notation. You can implicitly assume the number of terms is more than the number of terms you choose to write.
- c. Using annotated algebraic manipulation, produce the partial geometric series formula.